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Dear Forum Member

The next meeting of the Forum on Transportation Investment will be on Tuesday **June 28**. At this meeting, we will focus on Future Finance Options by reviewing current financial tools, revenue sources, and other options to meet future needs so as to determine whether or not additional tools, sources, or options are needed for Idaho's future transportation system.

The meeting will begin at 9:00 AM **at the Holiday Inn at 3300 S. Vista Ave., in Boise**. As with previous meetings, lunch will be provided. Jack Basso, AASHTO's Director of Management and Business Development, will be the luncheon speaker.

Ed Mc Kechnie, Vice President of Operations and Strategic Planning for WATCO Companies, will have a presentation of Current Rail Freight Issues and Future Opportunities.

The day's topics will include an overview of the Forum's Goals and discussions about what we have covered to date, the difference between current revenue and potential needs, and revenue and finance options that might help to close that gap.

The April 28<sup>th</sup> meeting generated a lot of information. The minutes and other related information are available on the Forum's website at [www.itd.idaho.gov/info/ti.forum](http://www.itd.idaho.gov/info/ti.forum). Summarized minutes with hyperlinks to other documents should allow everyone easier access. Prior meeting minutes have been similarly modified to make the minutes more accessible. Please review these documents and be prepared to correct and/or discuss any concerns.

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Regards,

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